October 2004 **FACT SHEET** 

## FORMER TITECH FOUNDRY Pomona, California



Para información en español por favor comuníquese con Leticia Hernández al numero (714) 484-5488.

## Comments sought on proposed soil cleanup

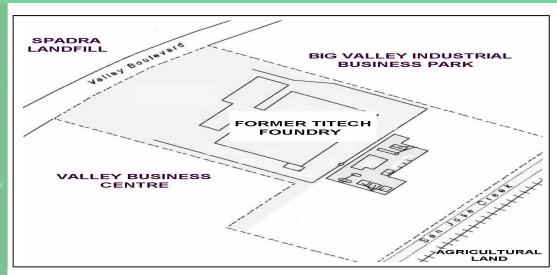
**The Department** of Toxic **Substances** Control (DTSC) is one of six **Boards** and **Departments** within the California **Environmental Protection** Agency. The Department's mission is to restore, protect and enhance the environmental quality and economic vitality, by regulating hazardous waste, conducting and overseeing cleanups, and developing and promoting pollution prevention.

State of California



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TiTech Site location Map

### 30-Day Public Comment Period October 21 through November 20, 2004

Written comments on the Draft Removal Action Workplan (RAW) and Draft Notice of Exemption (NOE) must be postmarked by November 20. 2004, and sent to Jessy Fierro, DTSC, 1011 N. Grandview Avenue, Glendale, CA 91201. If you have any comments, please mail back the comment form on page 3, or email your comments to jfierro@dtsc.ca.gov.

Supporting documents relating to the proposed cleanup are available for your review at the locations listed on page 2.

We invite you to review and comment on the proposal to cleanup soil contamination at the former TiTech foundry located at 4000 West Valley Boulevard, Pomona. The property is approximately 9 acres in size and is located in a predominantly industrial area.

Previous investigations performed since 1991 included testing the soil and groundwater at the site. Testing found high levels of tetrachloroethene (PCE), trichloroethene (TCE), metals (arsenic, titanium and nickel) and petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH) in soil and surface groundwater.

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) will oversee the cleanup to make sure that work conducted at the site meets all applicable laws and regulations, and is protective of public health and the environment.

#### **Proposed Cleanup Plan**

The following cleanup methods are proposed:

- Removing soil with high levels of PCE, TCE, metals, and TPH. These areas will be backfilled with clean soil.
- Using Soil Vapor Extraction (SVE) system to reduce to soil vapor levels to below risk levels.
- Using vapor barriers under future buildings if SVE is not fully effective.
- Transporting the contaminated soil to a state licensed disposal facility.
- Capping (covering) the property with paving and buildings.

In addition to these activities, a deed restriction may be placed on the property to prohibit the future development of residential housing, schools, daycares, or hospitals if residential cleanup levels cannot be achieved.

# What you can expect to see in your neighborhood

If the cleanup is approved, you can expect to see the following activities:

- A work notice will be distributed to the community prior to soil removal activities taking place.
- Onsite construction equipment will operate during city approved working hours.
- Personnel on the site will use standard machinery as well as safety equipment.
- As contaminated soil is excavated, it will be temporarily stored in stockpile areas and watered frequently.
- Dust will be controlled by spraying water over excavation areas.
- Truck and equipment speeds on and off the site will be regulated.

 Trucks will transport soil to the disposal facility via Valley Blvd and the 57 freeway.

# California Environmental Quality Act – Notice of Exemption (NOE)

DTSC has prepared a Draft Notice of Exemption for this project as required by the California Environmental Quality Act. The Draft NOE document states that the project will not have a significant effect on public health or the environment because of the relatively small volume of contaminated soil, short project duration, and controlled manner in which soil will be excavated, loaded onto trucks, and taken off-site for disposal.

#### Where to find documents

The Draft Removal Action Workplan, Draft Notice of Exemption, the Preliminary Endangerment Assessment Report, and other site related documents are available at the following locations:

Walnut Public Library 21155 La Puente Road Walnut, CA 91789 Contact: (909) 595-0757

Department of Toxic Substances Control 1011 North Grandview Avenue Glendale, CA 91201 Call Jone Barrio at (818) 551-2886 to make an appointment.

#### Next steps

All public comments will be evaluated before a final cleanup decision is made. The final cleanup may be modified based on your comments. We will respond in writing to all comments in a formal "Response to Comments" document that will be sent to everyone who submitted comment. If you have any comments, please fill out the comment form and send it

back to DTSC at the address provided on page 1.

# Who to call for further information

If you have questions about the site, please contact:

Jessy Fierro Project Manager (818) 551-2174

Email: jfierro@dtsc.ca.gov

Tim Chauvel Public Participation Specialist (714) 484-5487 Email: tchauvel@dtsc.ca.gov

## Media Inquiries

Jeanne Garcia
Public Information Officer
(818) 551-2176
Email: jgarcia1@dtsc.ca.gov

#### **Notice to the Hearing Impaired**

You can obtain additional information by calling the California State Relay Service at 1-888-877-5378 (TDD). Ask them to contact Jessy Fierro (Project Manager) at (818) 551-2174.

For more information about DTSC, please visit our website at www.dtsc.ca.gov.

# **COMMENT FORM** If you have any comments concerning the **TiTech Site Removal Action Workplan** (RAW) please send your comments by November 20, 2004 to: Jessy Fierro, Department of Toxic Substances Control, 1011 N. Grandview Avenue, Glendale, CA 91201. Please include your name and address if you wish to receive a copy of the written Response to Comments document when the final RAW is issued. Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Zip: Comments (attach additional pages if needed):\_\_\_\_\_

Note: Your comments are part of the public record and, if requested, may be subject to release.

Ms. Jessy Fierro
Department of Toxic Substances Control
1011 North Grandview Avenue
Glendale, CA 91201

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Se solicitan comentarios sobre la limpieza de sitio TiTech